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1996 PROVINCIAL STATISTICAL REPORT

INTRODUCTION

This is the fifth statistical report produced from the Women's Shelter Information System (WSIS) introduced January 1,1992. The system contains residential and non-residential data for Women's Shelters, Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres and Second Stage Housing programs.

What is WSIS?

The Women's Shelter Information System (WSIS) is an automated information system operated by Alberta Family and Social Services. This system allows the department to collect extensive information, on an ongoing basis, from women residing in Alberta's women's shelters. It is the only system of its kind in Canada.

Why was it developed?

The system was designed to standardize data collection among shelters so information could be more easily compared and interpreted. It allows the department to build on its existing knowledge about the nature and scope of family violence in Alberta and its effects on individual family members. With this information, government, shelters and the community can better identify service needs and provide direction for future policy, program development and research. Implementation of this system also allows the department to improve its monitoring and evaluation of the Women's Shelter Program.

Who participates?

All Women's Shelters, Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres and Second Stage Housing agencies that receive funding from Alberta Family and Social Services are contractually required to participate in the collection of information for the WSIS. The Big Stone Cree Nation Women's Emergency Shelter and the Sucker Creek Women's Emergency Shelter contribute information to the data base although they are not funded by Alberta Family and Social Services.

A total of nineteen shelters, seven rural family violence prevention centres and two second stage housing programs participate in the Women's Shelter Information System.

What kind of information is collected?

Three forms are used to collect information:

Contact Non-Residential Information

This form is completed for each contact made to a shelter. Contacts are made primarily by telephone. It includes questions about the method of contact, the gender and age of the person making contact, reason for and result of the contact. Information about client demographics, the location of the shelter, the nature of the services requested and provided and referrals made are also recorded.

Admitted and Non-Admitted Children's Information

This form is completed as part of the intake procedure when a woman with children is admitted to a shelter. It includes questions about children in the family including demographic data, child welfare status, the presence or absence of abuse towards children, current living arrangements and the nature of support service referrals made by the women's shelter.

Residential Information

This form is completed as part of the intake procedure when a woman is admitted to a shelter. This form asks questions about client demographics, the location of the shelter, the types of services requested and provided and the referrals made. It also includes questions about the nature of the abuse and by whom the abuse was inflicted.

Women are also asked to describe the type of intervention and assistance they received from other agencies such as the police and child welfare agencies.

Information gathered from the above three forms allows the department to maintain accurate and comprehensive information about abused women and their children who access shelters in Alberta. The statistics gathered from this system have been used across Canada to assist in addressing issues around family violence.

During 1996, two additional information gathering reports were developed:

Follow-up and Outreach

The contact non-residential form was modified to allow recording of information about services provided to those clients choosing to participate in shelter follow up programs. These programs are geared to providing support after clients leave shelter.

This form is also used to record information about support and referral outreach services provided to those clients presenting family violence issues but who choose to access services outside the shelter setting.

Supplementary Information

This form was created to accommodate information needs of Alberta communities engaged in the Commissioner of Services to Children and Families Initiative. (ie; home regional authority of client). Information will be available according to the 18 Regional Authorities identified in the Initiative.

Information from both the above reports will be included in the Women's Shelter Information System Provincial Statistical Report for 1997.

What about confidentiality and security?

The system was designed to protect the identity of clients. Anonymity is assured through the use of a unique identifier. The client's name is not recorded. The identifier cannot be linked to any other information the government has about the client.

Clients have the right to refuse to answer any question. Each woman is informed that not providing information will not prejudice the services she or her family receives at the shelter.

The data base is protected by several security mechanisms, including a password to enter the system. Physical access is also restricted by security. Only the Administrator and Program Manager of the Women's Shelter Program have access to the locked offices which house the system.

What happens to the information?

Information from the system is compiled and distributed on an annual basis. It is provided in the form of aggregate numbers, percentages and graphs.

Data on each shelter is sent to the respective shelter and appropriate regional consultant of Family and Social Services.

The only public report is the Annual Provincial Summary Report which is sent to the Minister of Family and Social Services, the Alberta Council of Women's Shelters (ACWS) and individual shelters in Alberta.

Ad hoc reports may be prepared to address special requests from the ACWS, individual shelters or department of Family and Social Services staff on a discretionary basis. Shelter specific data is seen only by the individual shelter, Regional Family Violence specialist, District Office Manager and the Program Manager. The department is obliged not to release agency-identifying information outside the department, except for Federal/Provincial cost-sharing purposes.

Data Presentation

Data in this annual statistical report is divided into three sections:

- Residential
- Admitted and Non Admitted Children's Information
- Non-Residential

and is presented in graphs and tables.

SUMMARY OF RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

From January 1 to December 31,1996 there were 5410 women and 6293 children admitted to Women's Shelters, Rural Family Violence Centres and Second Stage Housing programs in Alberta.
It is important to note that these are the number of admissions and not the number of "unique" women and children served in the year, as some clients return for safe accommodation more than once.

In the following four page Summaries percentages less than .5 have been rounded down, and percentages equal to or greater than .5 have been rounded up to the next whole number.

AGE

The average age of admitted women was thirty-one years, with seventy-five percent of admitted women being between the ages of twenty and thirty-nine. Eighty-one percent of admitted women identified themselves as battered or victims of sexual assault.

MARITAL STATUS

Twenty-four percent of admitted women were married and a further thirty-eight percent lived in a common-law/live-in relationship. Thirteen percent reported being divorced, separated or living apart from their partner. Single women accounted for twenty two percent of all admissions in 1995.

PERPETRATOR

Women may report being abused by more than one person. Twenty-nine percent of admitted women reported abuse by their husband or ex-husband, and a further forty-seven percent reported abuse by their common-law or ex common-law partner. Eight percent reported abuse by a boyfriend or ex-boyfriend, and fifteen percent of women reported abuse by another family member (son, daughter, mother, father, in-laws).

TYPE OF ABUSE

Women may report more than one type of abuse. Seventy percent of women reported being physically abused, eighty-seven percent psychologically abused, thirty percent reported abuse or threats of abuse to children, forty-two percent reported destruction of property or pets, twenty-eight percent reported sexual abuse and fourty-two percent of women reported financial abuse.

SERVICES PROVIDED

Women may access more than one service when in shelter. The services most frequently provided to women and children were: referral (100%), information (93%), emotional support (91%), donations of furniture, clothing, household items (80%) and transportation (55%). Note that each woman may be referred to a number of community resources.

DEPARTURE STATUS

Twenty percent of women leaving shelters, rural centres and second stage housing said they were going to live on their own, eleven percent returned home without their spouse, and eight percent of women moved into either another shelter or a second stage housing project. Twenty-one percent went to live with friends or relatives and thirteen percent returned to their spouse.

SUMMARY OF NON-RESIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Shelters, Rural Family Violence Prevention Centres and Second Stage Housing programs provide non-residential services such as crisis intervention, referral and information to women, men, children, teens and elder Albertans.

Statistics on these services are collected by all of the programs on all contacts made by telephone or in person. Follow up contacts made by shelters workers to the community and to former clients are also recorded.

METHOD OF CONTACT

The total non-residential contacts for all shelters, rural centres and second stage houses was 65,666, an increase of 5,754 over the 59,912 recorded in 1995. Sixty-six percent of these contacts were made by persons telephoning shelter programs and seventeen percent were in person contacts. Six percent were telephone and in person contacts made by shelter workers to the community or to former clients, and 10% were telephone and in person follow-up contacts made by clients.

There are a number of factors that may contribute to the increase in total non-residential contacts. Public education and awareness of family violence issues is increasing across the province. Shelters have become a well known source of information and referral, both for citizens and professionals who work with clients presenting family violence issues. In some communities, shelters share facilities and crisis services with other service providers, and in a growing number of shelters outreach and follow-up programs are being implemented to offer potential or former clients additional family violence service options.

SOURCE OF CONTACT

Ninety-two percent of contacts were made by females, eight percent were made by males. Two percent of the contacts were from children under eleven years, two percent were from teens twelve to seventeen, ninety-two percent were from adults eighteen to sixty-four , one percent were from persons sixty-five plus. In the remainder of contacts, the age was unknown.

PURPOSE OF CONTACT

Callers may present more than one reason for contact. Fifty percent identified themselves as abused. Sixty-five percent requested emotional support, eighty-three percent requested information and fifty-three percent requested a referral to another service. Twenty-nine percent of contacts were made by a third party.

RESULT OF CONTACT

Thirty-six percent of non-residential contacts were in need of accommodation. Of those in need of accommodation, 9.3 percent were admitted into the program they contacted and 2.2 percent were admitted to another shelter program. 12.8 percent were not accommodated because the shelter facility was full and 4.2 percent of clients were referred to Alberta Family and Social Services for assistance with accommodation. 7.7 percent of contacts were not appropriate for admission to the women's shelter program.

Sixty-four percent of non-residential contacts requested services and referrals other than admission to a women's shelter. Callers are likely to receive numerous referrals to services, based on their presenting needs and local service availability.

There are a number of factors that contribute to the increased number of Albertans contacting shelters in Alberta. The first Alberta shelter opened in Calgary in the early 1970s. Since that time shelters have become well established in many communities, and public awareness of the services provided has increased. Citizens and professionals have come to recognize shelters as valuable sources of support and referral as well as safe houses for those who are abused.

Public awareness of the dynamics of Family Violence has also been heightened through the efforts of other community based programs and services. This has been especially true in the area of effects on children who witness violence in their families, and also through the collaborative process of linking resources which support families to break the cycle, and remain free of violence.

Media coverage of incidents of family violence has also made the community sensitive to the severity of abuse and the tragic outcomes for victims and their families. There is consensus among researchers and service providers that danger to women and children increases during and after separation from abusive spouses. Identifying client safety concerns and discussing the safety planning process is now recognized as an essential practise among service providers whose clients present issues of family violence.

SUMMARY OF ADMITTED AND NON-ADMITTED CHILDREN'S INFORMATION

AGE

The total number of children admitted was 6,293 and the average age of children admitted was six years, although thirty-eight percent of children were between the ages of one to four. Ninety-six percent of children were admitted with their mothers, four percent were admitted after their mothers.

3537 children were not admitted during their mother's stay at shelters, rural centres, and second stage programs. Of the non-admitted dependent children, fourty-eight percent were residing with extended family members and friends. Nineteen percent lived in residential placement or treatment centres. Two percent were living independently or at home unsupervised, and twenty-four percent were at home in the partner's care.

CHILD ABUSE

More than one type of child abuse may be reported. Of the admitted children, mothers reported sixty-five percent were psychologically abused, eighteen percent were physically abused, five percent were sexually abused, and fifteen percent suffered neglect.

CHILD WELFARE STATUS

Fifteen percent of admitted children were identified by their mothers as under Child Welfare Investigation, or having Child Welfare status. Fifteen percent of admitted children were referred to Child Welfare and thirteen percent of admitted children were referred to community support, assessment and counselling programs.

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Age of admitted woman.

Average: 31

Range: 12 to 84

Total admitted clients: 5410

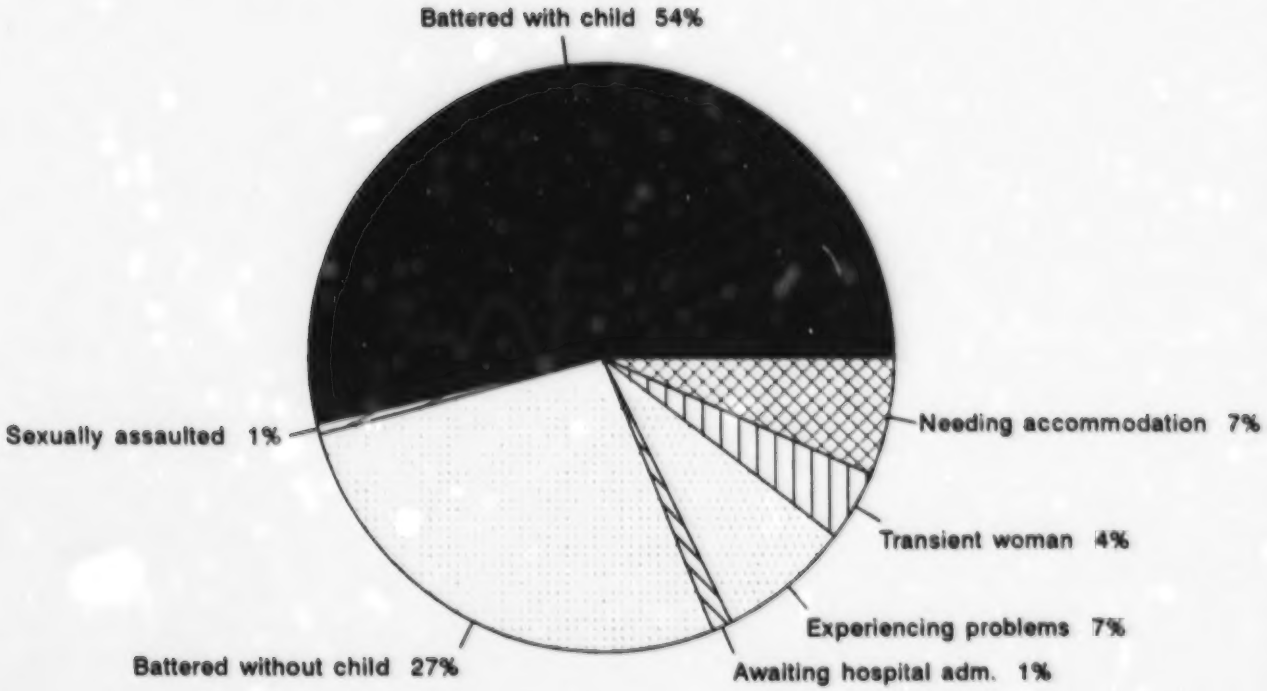
Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Age >= 65	30	0.6
Age 55 to 64	85	1.6
Age 40 to 54	806	14.9
Age 20 to 39	4033	74.5
Age 16 to 19	427	7.9
Age <= 15	23	0.4
No response	6	0.1

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Type of Admission

1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Referral source.
Note: Client may select multiple sources.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

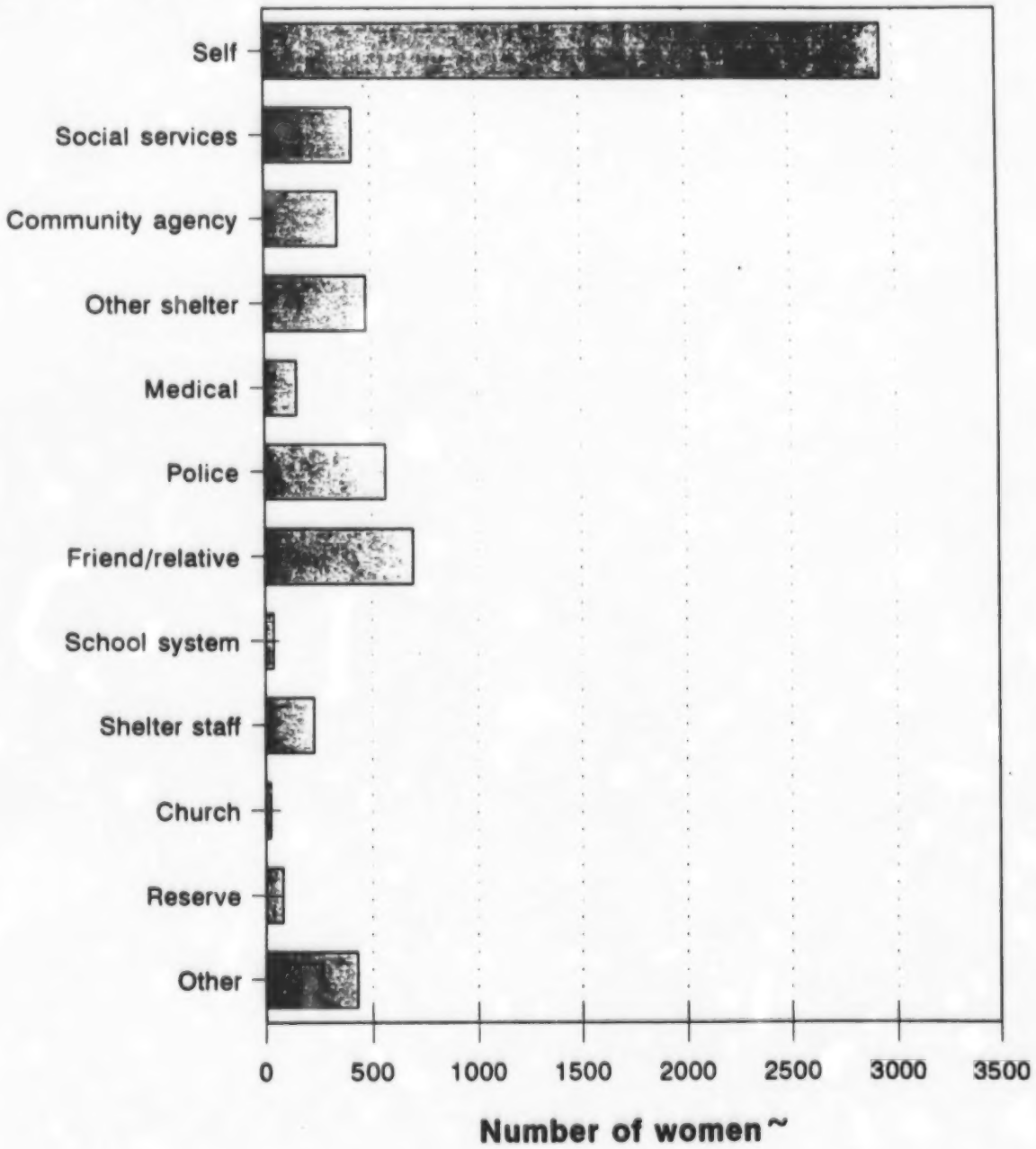
Response	Number
Self	2943
Social services	415
Community agency	348
Other shelter	478
Medical (doctor, hospital)	151
Police	567
Friend/relative	693
School system	41
Shelter staff	229
Church	24
Reserve	81
Other	431
Total	6401

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Referral Source

1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996

Referral Source*



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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Marital status

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Single	1210	22.4
Married	1322	24.4
Common-law/live-in	2059	38.1
Separated or living apart	519	9.6
Divorced	209	3.9
Widowed	43	0.8
Unknown	22	0.4
Total	5384	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Where does woman live?

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
City	3167	58.5
Town	861	15.9
Village	147	2.7
Settlement	103	1.9
Reserve	879	16.2
Rural	183	3.4
Transient	56	1.0
Total	5396	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Woman's home region.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Northwest	915	16.9
Northeast	821	15.2
Edmonton	1074	19.9
Central	597	11.0
Calgary	909	16.8
South	429	7.9
Saskatchewan	242	4.5
British Columbia	143	2.6
Other	248	4.6
Total	5378	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Type of abuse reported by woman.
Note: client may report multiple abuse types.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Physical abuse	3786
Sexual abuse	1508
Psychological abuse	4723
Abuse or threats of abuse to children	1618
Destruction of property or pets	2262
Financial abuse	2801
Total	16698

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Abused by.
Note: client may identify multiple abusers.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Husband	1399
Ex-husband	181
Son	45
Daughter	46
Other relative	328
Live-in partner/common-law	1978
Ex-live-in/common-law	547
Boyfriend	281
Ex-boyfriend	136
Mother	292
Father	243
In-law(s)	170
Other	435
Total	6081

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Abused By

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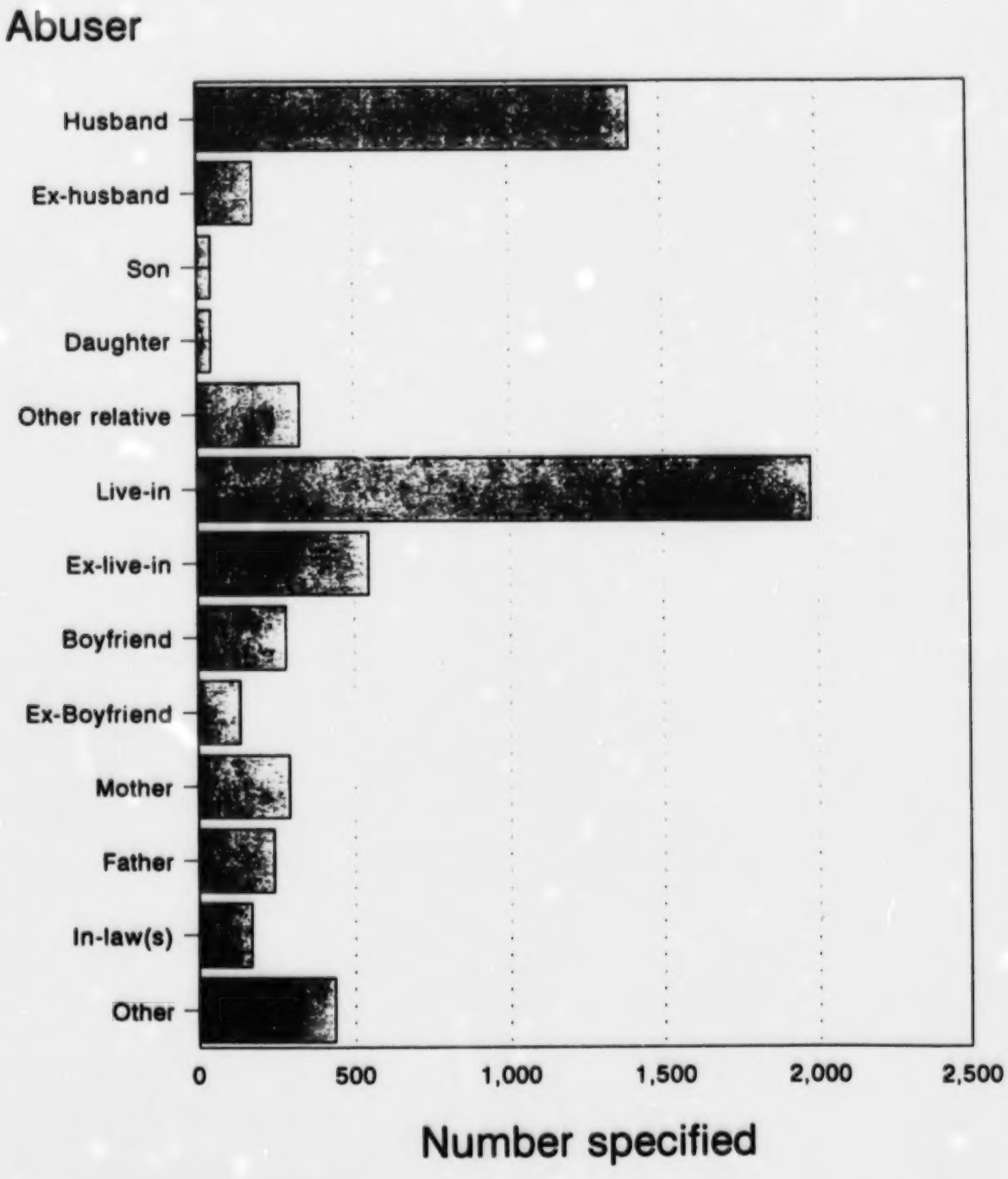

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Case of Abuse by Relationship of Abuser
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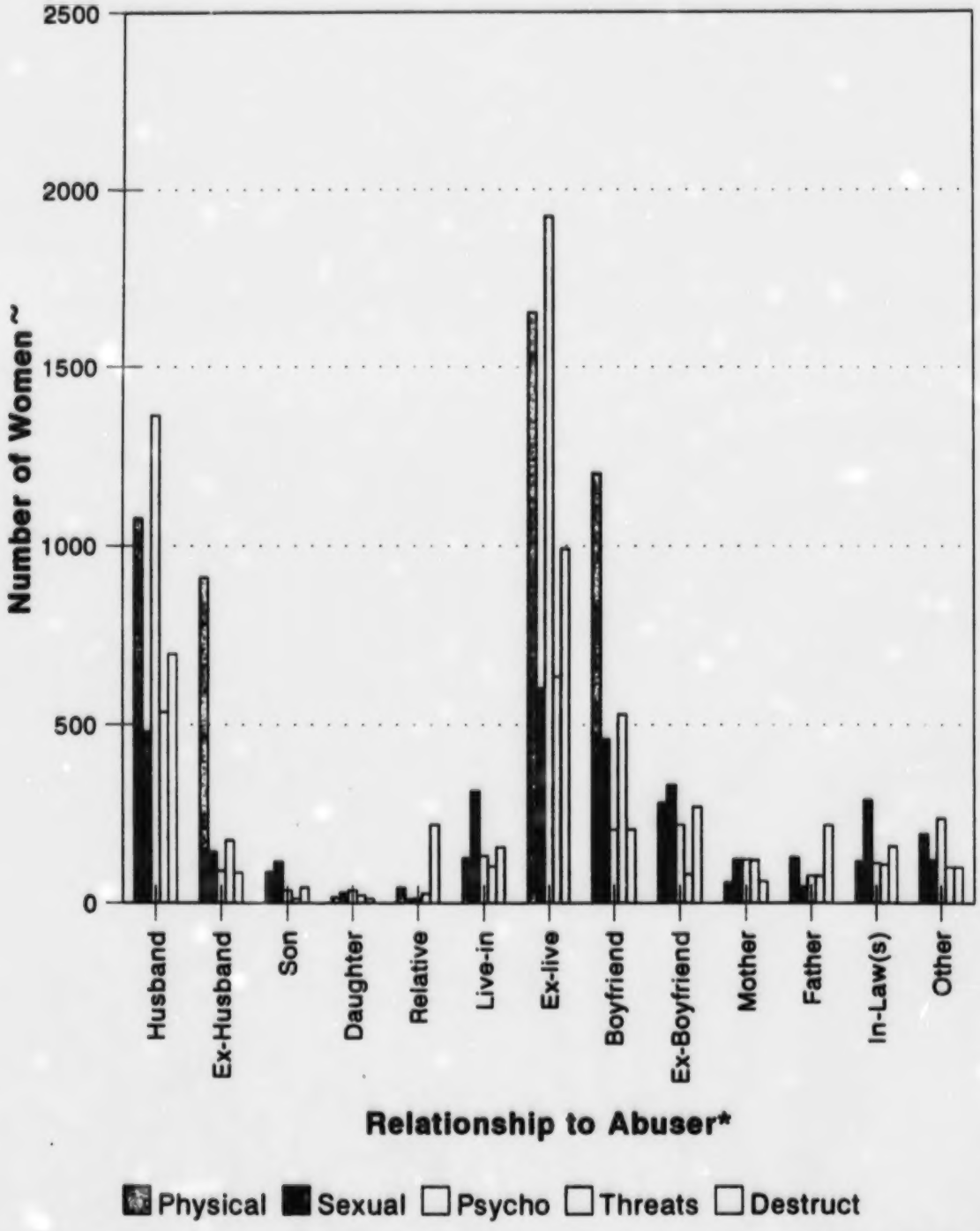

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Services provided to the woman (and children).
Note: multiple services may be provided to the client.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
VON/Other Nursing Service	1175
Information	5054
Emotional support/Crisis counselling	4919
Life Skills Training	311
Individual case advocacy	1882
Parenting/child management	1120
Women's group	2467
Children's group	879
Child care	1750
Transportation	2977
Interpreter	80
In-house teacher	416
Donations	4312
Other	211
Referral	7544
Child support services	0
Total	35097

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Services required but not available.
Note: multiple services may be required but not available.

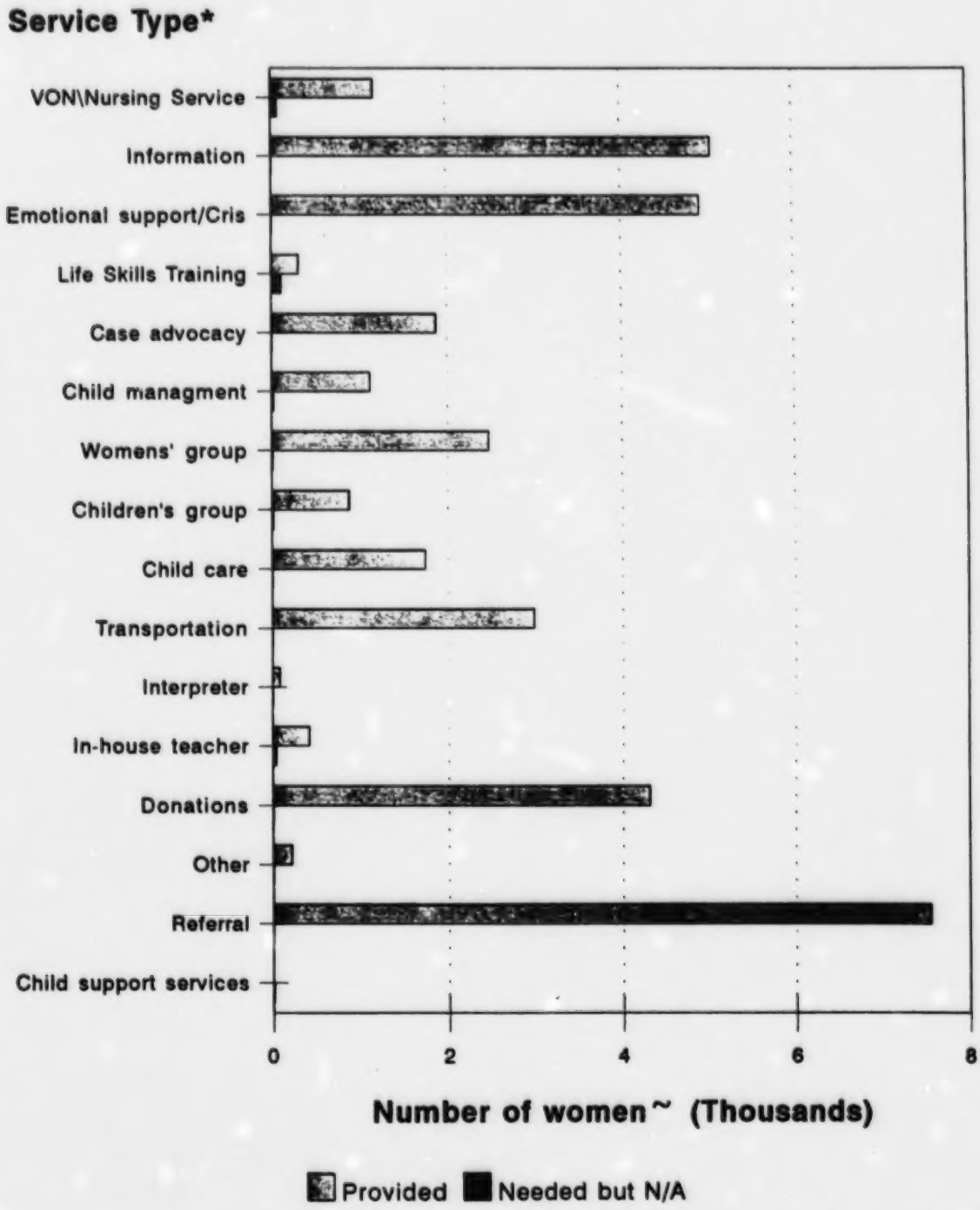
Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
VON/Other Nursing Service	70
Information	1
Emotional support/Crisis counselling	2
Life Skills Training	110
Individual case advocacy	2
Parenting/Child management	18
Women's group	9
Children's group	17
Child care	6
Transportation	1
Interpreter	4
In-house teacher	38
Donations	1
Other	3
Referral	2
Child support services	7
Total	291

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Services Provided
1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Type of police intervention requested within last 6 months.
Note: client may identify multiple intervention types.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Mediated dispute only	420
Informed woman of assistance	965
Assisted woman to leave home	706
Transported/arranged transportation to shelter	517
Advised woman to lay charges	524
Assault charges laid	494
Arrested batterer	421
Referred other services	367
Enforce restraining order/peace bond	194
Advised woman not to charge	50
Did not respond	72
Asked if she wanted charges laid	374
Other	557
Total	5661

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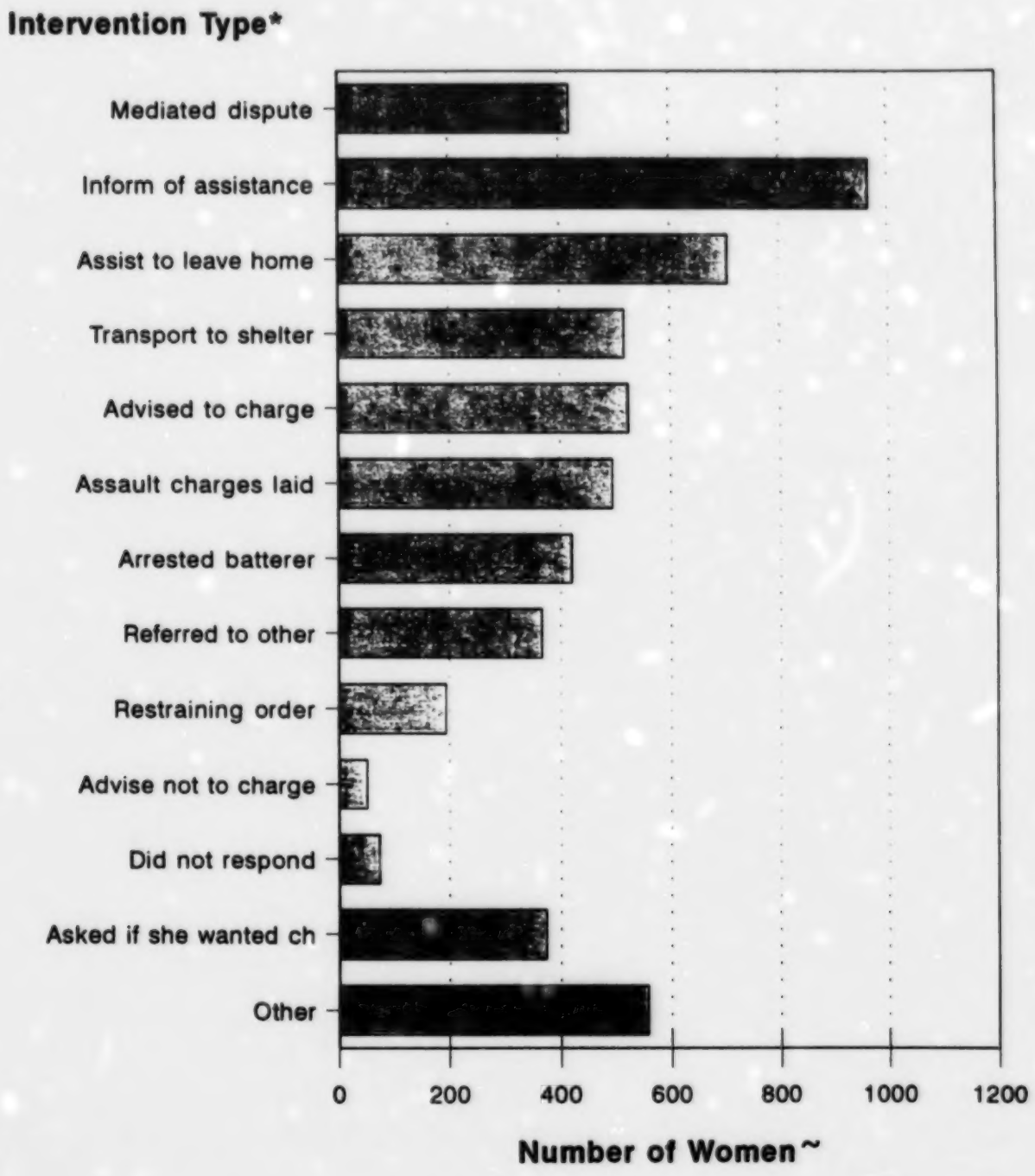
Types of Police Intervention
1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Transportation to shelter.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Self	2164	40.0
Shelter	1316	24.3
Police	517	9.6
Other	1389	25.7
Total	5386	

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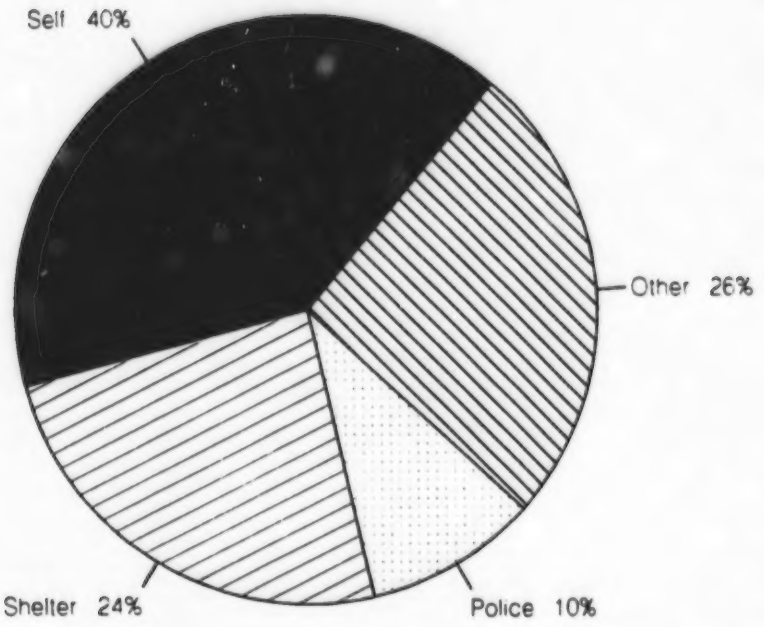
Transportation to shelter
1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Woman referred to:
Note: client may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Police	1035
Child Welfare	774
Social Allowance	1901
Legal services	1306
Medical services	1376
Other accommodation	1016
Employment counselling	229
Education counselling	310
Mental health services	592
Drug/Alcohol counselling	528
Alberta Housing/low income housing	1170
Counselling groups for men	188
Counselling groups for women	1372
Individual counselling for men	157
Individual counselling for women	1572
Family counselling services	577
Indian Affairs	158
Native counselling	391
Sexual Assault Centre	221
Food Bank	328
Interpreter services	35
Clergy	85
Second stage housing	444
Other shelter	546
Other community agency	1072
Emergency Social Services	446
Total	17829

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Woman referred to (needed but not accessible)
Note: client may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Police	2
Child Welfare	2
Social Allowance	2
Legal services	3
Medical services	2
Other accommodation	1
Employment counselling	1
Education counselling	1
Mental health services	1
Drug/Alcohol counselling	1
Alberta Housing/low income housing	2
Counselling groups for men	1
Counselling groups for women	10
Individual counselling for men	1
Individual counselling for women	7
Family counselling services	7
Indian Affairs	1
Native counselling	1
Sexual Assault Centre	3
Food Bank	41
Interpreter services	1
Clergy	1
Second stage housing	56
Other shelter	2
Other community agency	1
Emergency Social Services	1
Total	152

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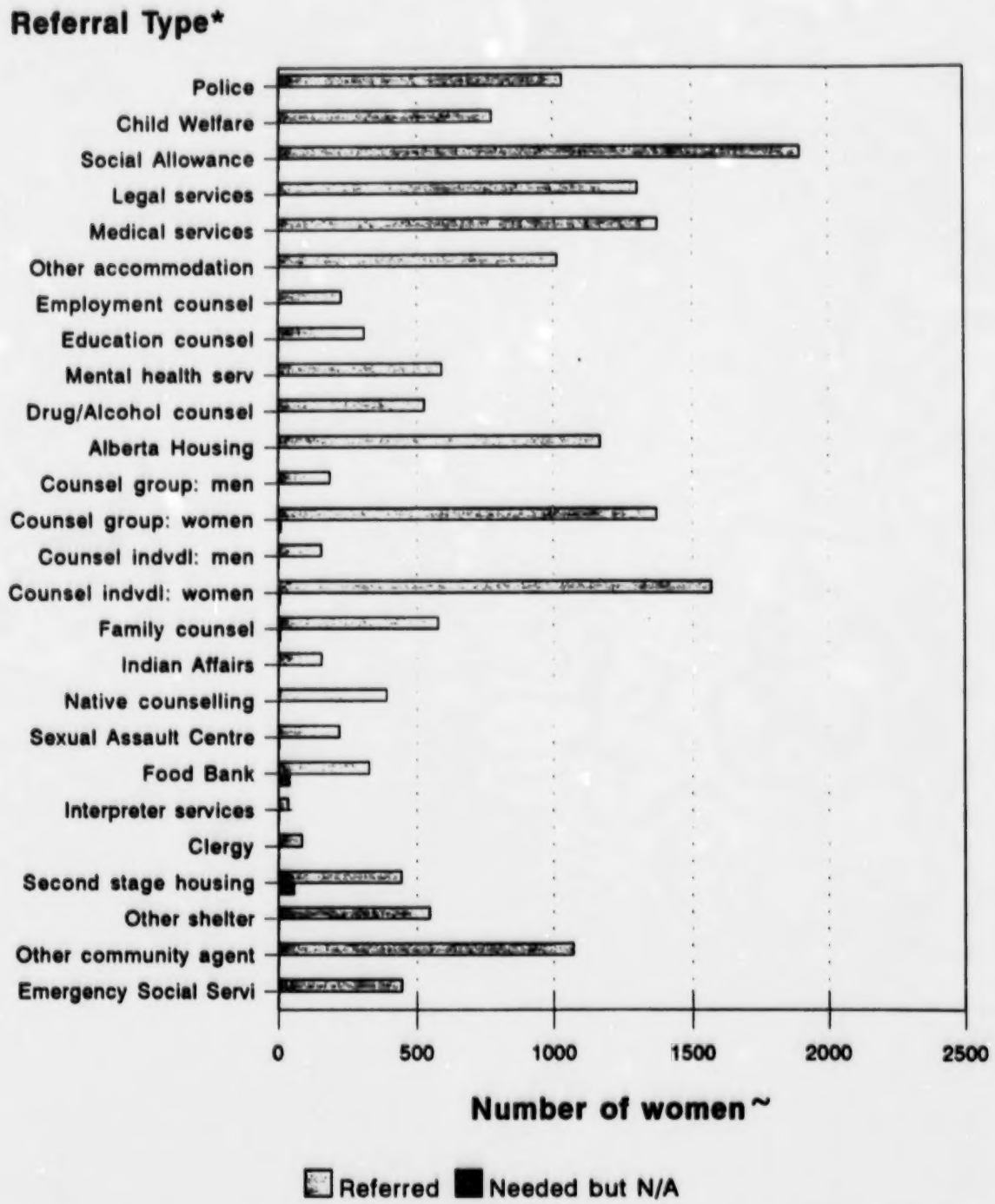
Woman Referred To
1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Departure status.

Total admitted clients: 5410

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Return to spouse	704	13.0
Return home without spouse	576	10.6
Second stage housing	106	2.0
Another emergency shelter in Alberta	242	4.5
Out of province shelter	62	1.1
Independent living	1065	19.7
Living with friend/relatives	1156	21.4
Hospital	60	1.1
Residential services	117	2.2
Other	436	8.1
Unknown	836	15.5
Total	5360	

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Departure Status

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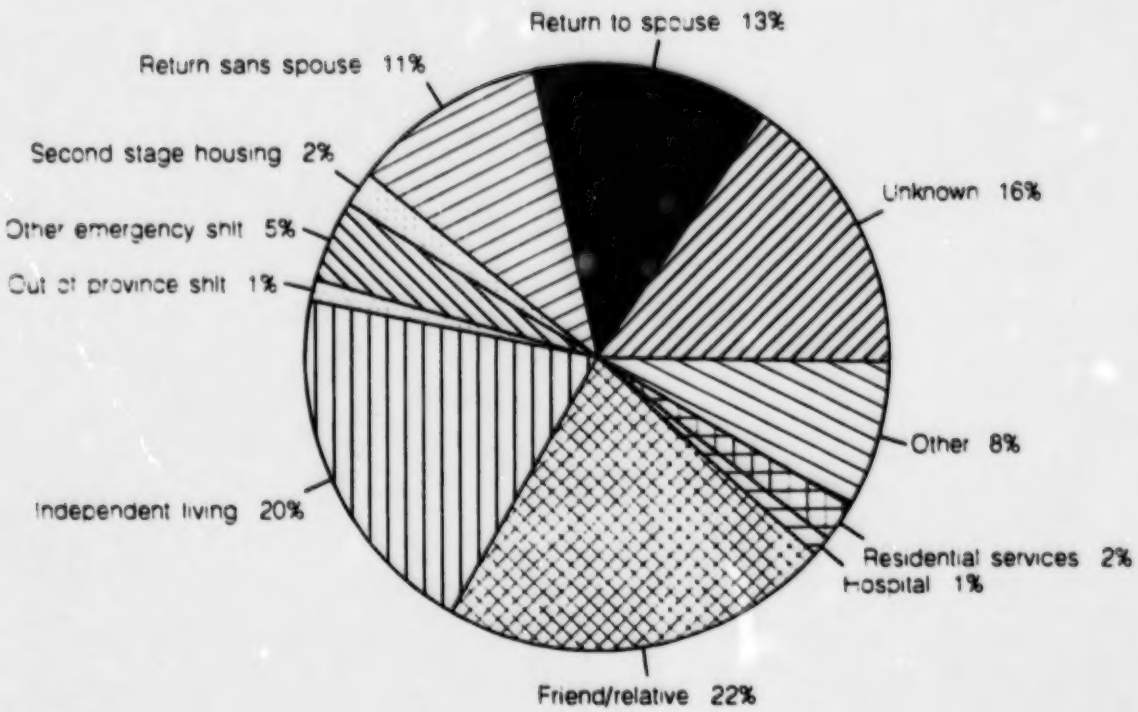

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PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Age of admitted children.

Average: 6

Range: 0 to 65

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number
> OR = 18 years	16
15 to 17 years	216
13 to 14 years	332
10 to 12 years	708
5 to 9 years	1950
1 to 4 years	2376
1 to 11 months	695

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Dependent summary.

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response		Number
Dependents admitted with mom:	>= 18 years	15
	15 to 17 years	196
	13 to 14 years	313
	10 to 12 years	675
	5 to 9 years	1880
	1 to 4 years	2312
	1 to 11 months	674
Dependents admitted after mom:	>= 18 years	1
	15 to 17 years	20
	13 to 14 years	19
	10 to 12 years	33
	5 to 9 years	70
	1 to 4 years	64
	1 to 11 months	21
Dependents not admitted:	>= 18 years	45
	15 to 17 years	475
	13 to 14 years	378
	10 to 12 years	599
	5 to 9 years	1133
	1 to 4 years	806
	1 to 11 months	146
Total		9875

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Dependent's school status at time of admission.

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Day care or not of school age	2859	45.4
Kindergarten	416	6.6
Regular school (public/separate)	2545	40.4
Special education (remedial, behavioral class)	57	0.9
Other (eg. private school)	37	0.6
Does not attend	357	5.7
Total	6271	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Primary child welfare status at time of admission.

Total admitted dependents: 6293

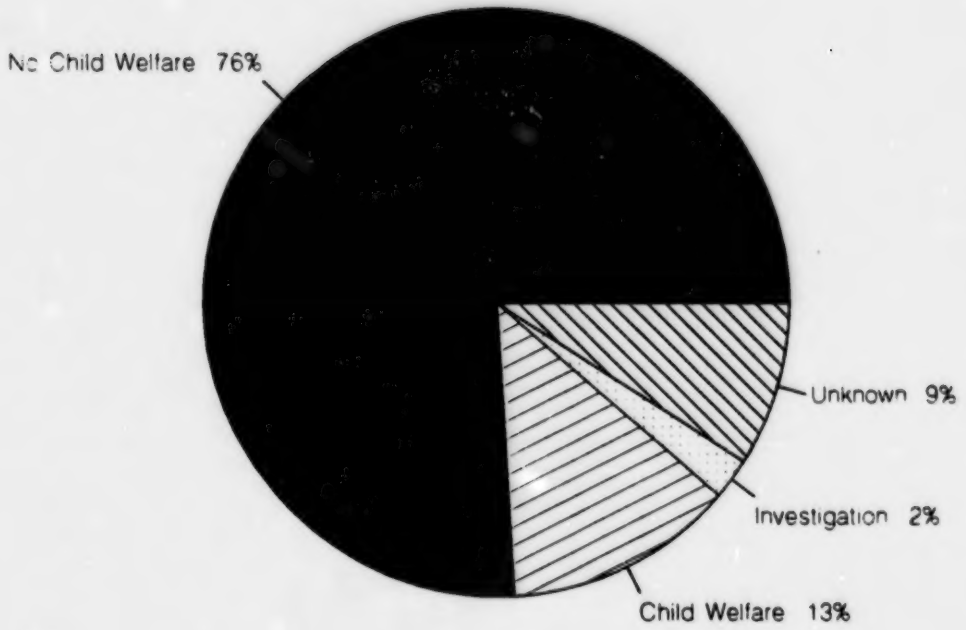
Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
No Child Welfare status	4746	75.4
Child Welfare status	796	12.6
Investigation in progress	145	2.3
Unknown	571	9.1
Total	6258	

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Primary Child Welfare Status

1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996

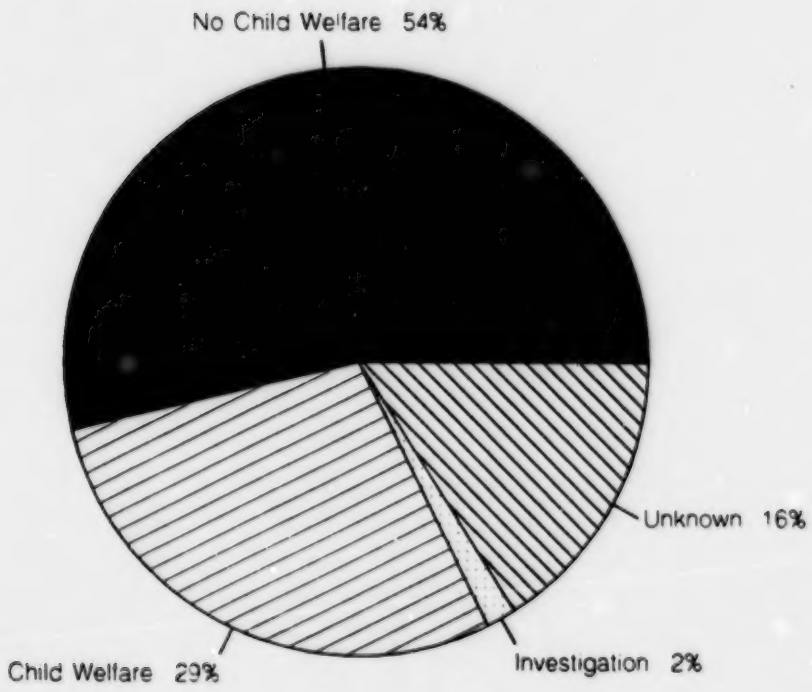


~For residential dependents.

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Primary Child Welfare Status

1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



~For non-residential dependents.

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Child's current placement.

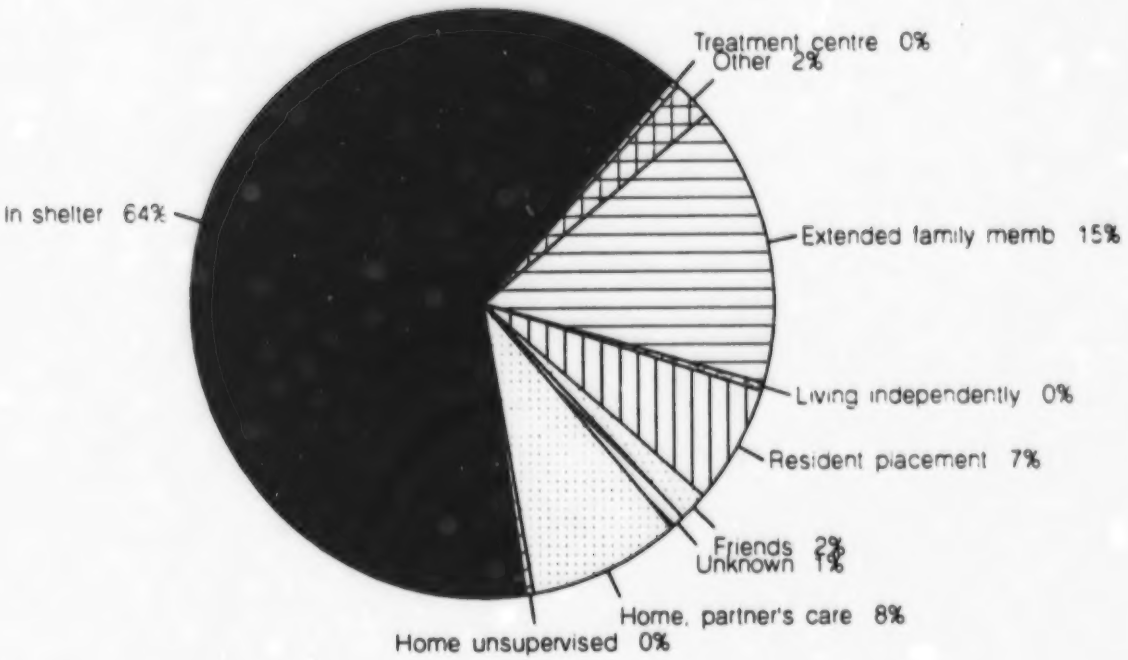
Total dependents: 9875

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Resp
In Shelter	6293	63.7
At home unsupervised	40	0.4
At home, in partner's care	834	8.4
With extended family member	1524	15.4
With friends	161	1.6
Residential placement (eg. foster/receiving/group home)	649	6.6
Residential treatment centre	13	0.1
Living independently	45	0.5
Other	218	2.2
Unknown	83	0.8
Total	9875	

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE

Child's current placement
1 Jan 1996 to 31 Dec 1996



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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Is admitted child the woman's own by birth, by adoption, or by legal custody agreement?

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Yes	6182	98.2
No	101	1.6
Total	6283	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Is child receiving non-residential support?

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number	% Admit
Yes	489	7.8
No	5035	80.0
Total	5524	

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Child is referred by shelter to the following programs.
Note: dependent may be given multiple referrals.

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number
No referral	3647
Child Welfare	915
Assessment Program	82
Community support programs	480
Alternative residential care	44
Drug/alcohol counselling	12
Sexual abuse counselling	51
Psychological/psychiatric counselling	203
Other	520
Total	5954

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Has child been abused?

Total admitted dependents: 6293

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Physically abused	1135
Sexually abused	299
Psychologically abused	4093
Neglected	927
Total	6454

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Method Of Contact:

Total non-residential contacts : 65666

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Telephone contact	43180
In-person contact	11272
Telephone follow-up by client	4570
Telephone follow-up by shelter	1608
In person follow-up by client	1737
In person follow-up by shelter	2531
No response	768

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Sex of Individual:

Total non-residential contacts : 65666

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Male	4994
Female	60672

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Age of Individual:

Total non-residential contacts : 65666

Frequencies:

Response	Number
Child	1428
Teen	1289
Adult	60601
Elder	910
Unknown	1016
No response	422

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**********[STATISTICAL SUMMARY]**********

PROVINCIAL TOTAL - SHELTER & SATELLITE
01/01/1996 to 31/12/1996

Question: Purpose of Contact:

Total non-residential contacts : 65666

Frequencies:

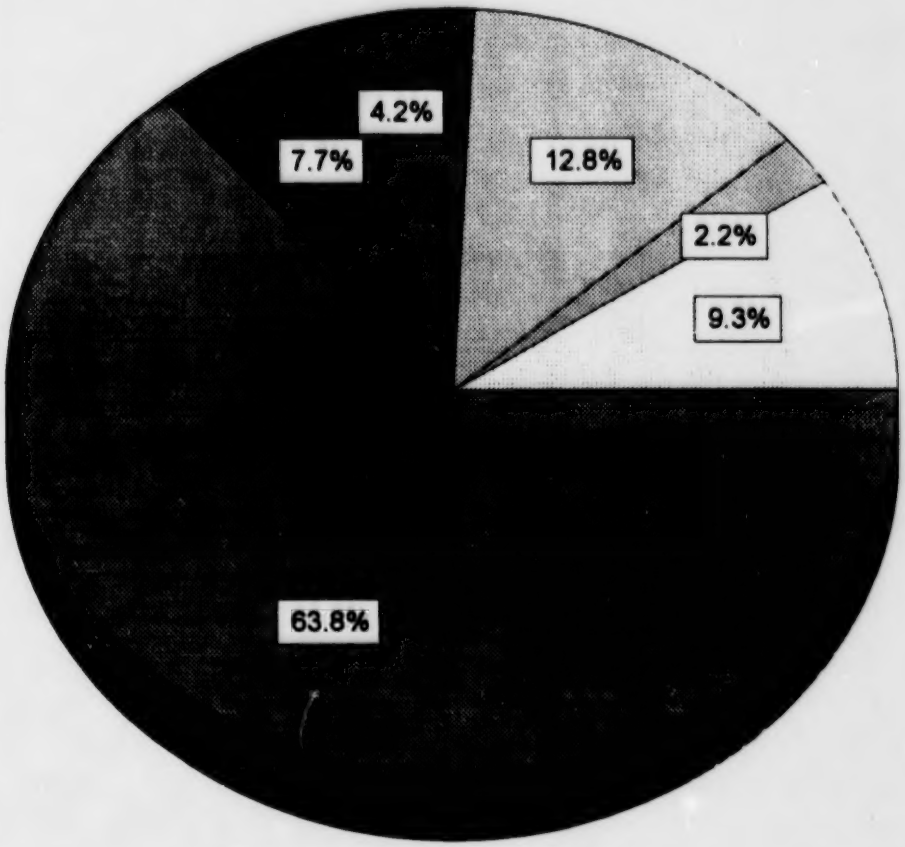
Response	Yes	No	No Resp
Emotional Support	42747	20303	2616
Referrals	35006	27416	3244
Information	54464	9428	1774
Crisis intervention	29341	33916	2409
Battered	33129	27772	4765
Third party inquiry	19277	42002	4387
Other	10308	50460	4898

PROVINCIAL TOTAL – SHELTER & SATELLITE

RESULT OF CONTACT

IN NEED OF ACCOMMODATION (36.2% of total contacts)

January 1, 1996 to December 31, 1996



- Admitted to Shelter (9.3%)
- Admitted to Another Shelter (2.2%)
- Shelter Full (12.8%)
- Referred to AFSS for Other Accommodation (4.2%)
- Not Appropriate for Admission to Women's Shelter Program (7.7%)
- Services Other Than Accommodation (63.8%)

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